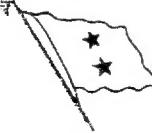


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Dear Bill,

Admiral Zumwalt has asked me to express to you his appreciation for the contributions which CIA analysts made to the 16 May meeting of the CNO Executive Panel.

[redacted] who is well known to the Panel and who had met with them on a previous occasion, discussed Soviet Union views on detente, with particular emphasis on Soviet negotiating positions for SALT II. Strategic Arms Limitation is a subject of great interest to Admiral Zumwalt and he was pleased that his Executive Panel had the opportunity to hear [redacted] views on the subject.

As always, the Panel came away most impressed with [redacted] intellectual credentials as well as his overall command of the subject matter and the articulate manner of his presentation.

Thanks are also due to [redacted] of OER whom you were kind enough to permit to meet with the CEP to discuss U.S.-Soviet trade and technology transfer. Their presentation and the ensuing discussions were among the highlights of the meeting and focused attention on some significant problems associated with increased U.S.-Soviet trade.

I would like to add my personal thanks to you for making your analysts available to the CNO Executive Panel. They represented CIA and the intelligence community very well indeed. I have received several commendatory remarks

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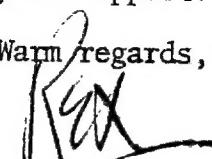
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regarding their professional qualifications. I trust they found the discussions stimulating and useful and would hope that these sort of informal exchanges might continue.

Again, thank you for your support.

Warm regards,

  
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